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1 Vice President Mike Pence has hired a lawyer known for defending government officials in high-profile investigations to help him through probes into whether there were ties between the election campaign of President Donald Trump and Russia, his office said. U.S. intelligence agencies have concluded that Moscow interfered in last year's presidential campaign to try to tilt the vote in Trump's favor. Trump, who hired

his own lawyer last month for probes by a special counsel and congressional committees, lashed out on Thursday after a report that he was under investigation for possible obstruction of justice and he dismissed as "phony" the idea his campaign colluded with any Russian effort to sway the 2016 election. REUTERS

FREED US STUDENT HAS 'SEVERE' BRAIN INJURY

2 An American university student who was detained for 17 months in North Korea and suffered a serious neurological injury was "brutalized" by the reclusive regime, his father said on Thursday. Despite the "severe" injury, Otto Warmbier, 22, is stable and receiving treatment at the University of Cincinnati Medical Center, center spokeswoman Kelly Martin said at a news briefing at Warmbier's high school in Wyoming, Ohio. Doctors are scheduled to provide further details about Warmbier's condition on Thursday afternoon. Warmbier has been in a coma since March 2016, shortly after he was sentenced to 15 years of hard labor in North Korea, the family said on Tuesday after he was released. REUTERS

DRAFT MEMO: TRUMP TO LIMIT CUBA TRAVEL

3 President Donald Trump on Friday will tighten rules on Americans traveling to Cuba and significantly restrict U.S. companies from doing business with Cuban enterprises controlled by the military, according to U.S. officials who have seen a draft presidential memorandum. Trump will lay out his new Cuba policy in a speech in Miami that will roll back parts of former President Barack Obama's opening to the communist-ruled island after a 2014 diplomatic breakthrough between the two former Cold War foes. Taking a tougher approach against Cuba after promising to do so during the presidential campaign, Trump will make clear that a ban on U.S. tourism to Cuba remains in effect and his administration will beef up enforcement of travel rules under authorized categories, the officials said. REUTERS

VENEZUELA PROTEST

4 Anti-government demonstrators take cover behind shields near a burning car during clashes near Altamira Square in Caracas. With Venezuelans suffering from high inflation, food shortages and soaring crime rates, plus a deepening corruption scandal. GETTY IMAGES

5 THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

TWITTER ROLLS OUT TWEAKS

5 Twitter Inc. said it would roll out a series of tweaks to its website and mobile applications from Thursday to further simplify the microblogging service's interface for its users. The changes include a new circular profile picture, a speech bubble instead of an arrow to reply to tweets and refinements to the fonts. Tweets on the company's mobile applications would now update instantly along with counts on "retweets," "likes" and "replies," the company said. Twitter, which has faced criticism over the complex interface of its service in the past, has been constantly adjusting its platform based on user feedback. The changes also include a consolidated profile and privacy settings and a new navigation menu for users of Apple devices. REUTERS

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Mayor Bill de Blasio has drawn criticism for not taking mass transit more regularly. GETTY IMAGES

Mayor Bill de Blasio seen on the subway for the first time since April

De Blasio was aboard a C train on his way to the Natural History Museum.

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He may be the mayor of New York City, but Bill de Blasio traded in his trusty black SUV to take mass transit like a normal, everyday New Yorker on Wednesday.

The mayor was spotted on an uptown C train — one of the older Cs with the yellowish walls and gray bench seats, if inquiring minds want to know — by Nick Corasaniti, a reporter from The New York Times.

Though Corasaniti said there were a bunch of available seats, de Blasio chose to stand. Accompanied by a staff member and small security team, the mayor was en route to the Museum of Natural History on the Upper West Side, a spokesman told the Times.

According to the mayor's office, yesterday was de Blasio's first subway ride since April 19.

The mayor has come under fire in recent weeks for relying on a fleet of sport utility vehicles to get around town, including his controversial 11-mile daily trek from Gracie Mansion to his gym of choice, the YMCA in Park Slope. Prior to taking office in 2014, de Blasio and his family were longtime residents of the Brooklyn neighborhood.

Earlier this month, when asked by a caller on Brian Lehrer's WNYC radio show why he relies on SUVs over mass transit or a bicycle "so you will know how we are suffering under a transit system," de Blasio said he wasn't going to "take the bait" and was "proud" his SUV was a hybrid that is "very fuel efficient."

So why was the mayor breaking his mold to schlep on the subway like a commoner yesterday?

He said it was the "easiest way to get where I'm going," according to a tweet from Corasaniti.

Perhaps on his particular trip it was, but the city's subway system has been plagued with issues in recent weeks, from mass delays to mechanical problems, including one that left F train riders stuck underground in high heat and darkness for nearly an hour.

> *He said it was the "easiest way to get where I'm going."*
>
> Nick Corasaniti, in a tweet about the mayor

Coincidentally — or maybe not? — de Blasio took the C on the same day former city councilman and fellow candidate for this fall's mayoral election Sam Albanese held a news conference outside that Park Slope YMCA to urge the mayor to use public transportation, the Times reported.

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AVOCADO ARREST

Police arrest Bronx man who used an avocado as a weapon

Two days after the NYPD released surveillance footage showing two men using avocados to assault the employees of a Bronx deli, one of the suspects was taken into custody.

Brad Gomez, 28, was arrested Thursday and charged with assault for the May 29 incident, the NYPD said.

In the video, Gomez is seen winding up like a baseball pitcher and throwing several avocados at Amir Alzabibi, 21, after a dispute over Gomez's food order. Alzabibi suffered a facial fracture and broken jaw in the avocado attack.

A Bronx man found a new use for an avocado by using the fruit as a weapon. NYPD

Police said the investigation is ongoing. The identity of the second suspect who was also seen lobbing fruit around the deli in the surveillance footage is still unknown.

The NYPD had released the surveillance footage of two men throwing several avocados and bananas at employees of the Stadium Gourmet Deli at 109 E. 161st Street in the Bronx on Tuesday.

The incident was a dispute over a food order, police said. Deli owner Hany Girgis told CBS New York that the customer became agitated when the cashier tried to translate the customer's order for a deli clerk, who does not speak English.

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Police gather outside the Barclays Center in Brooklyn after a man was shot in the leg Wednesday. TWITTER/LIZ BELSKY

NYPD seeks gunman in shooting near Barclays Center

A panicked crowd fled the scene on a day that saw mass shootings in several cities.

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A 50-year-old man who was shot near the Barclays Center in Brooklyn on Wednesday was an innocent bystander, the NYPD said, and a manhunt is underway for the shooter.

The man, who was shot in the ankle, was the only victim after multiple shots were fired across from the arena Wednesday at around 2:12 p.m.

Police initially said they were searching for two suspects, but said on Thursday they are now looking for one gunman, NBC4 reported. They believe the shots were fired after an argument inside a nearby subway station.

A baseball hat and glasses that were left behind by the suspect were undergoing DNA analysis, officials said.

The man who was shot in the ankle was transported to New York Methodist Hospital, officials confirmed.

The shooting, which happened outside a parking garage for the Brooklyn Nets and Islanders arena on Atlantic Avenue near Flatbush Avenue in downtown Brooklyn, caused a panicked crowed to run for cover on a day that had already seen two mass shootings.

Also on Wednesday, a gunman killed four at a UPS facility in San Francisco, and five people were injured in Alexandria, Virginia, when James Hodgkinson open fired on Republican representatives who were practicing for Thursday's congressional baseball game.

Witnesses to the Barclays Center shooting reported seeing blood on the streets, but no one else appeared to be injured in the immediate aftermath.

Some witnesses took to Twitter to share their experience from the scene.

"Yikes. There was just a shooting at Barclays in Brooklyn. I heard like six shots. One guy hit that I saw. Tons of cops," Twitter user Adrian Chen, a staff writer at the New Yorker, wrote.

MSNBC's Christopher Hayes was also in the area of the Barclays Center when he said he saw "a bunch of people booking towards" him.

"Gunshots just now outside Barclays Center. People ran. Police just arriving. Unclear if anyone was hit. Everyone I talked to is OK," he tweeted.

Metro staff reporter Nikki M. Mascali contributed to this report.

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"How blue can you make me / How long till I heal / How can I go on loving you when you're gone / How blue can I feel?" croons Reba McEntire on her 1984 hit "How Blue." And that's totally the reason you're casually day-crying, right? Well, even if you don't have the excuse of a sad song popping up on shuffle to usher in the wave of tears, NYC may have very well become a better place to get your sniffling on.

Curbed, the popular real estate and architecture news website, has released a crying map of the absolute, best-ever, bring-the-Kleenex-box spots to cry in New York City. Their top 10 picks range from a visit to the theaters of the American Museum of Natural History on the Upper West Side to making it rain sadness aboard the G train during off-peak hours.

We're partial to Chelsea Piers, the waterside locale they listed primarily for its "location and scenery," but also home to countless weddings and high school reunions, which are bound to make you shed a tear or 800. If you feel a tad exposed in Chelsea, there's also Tudor City Greens by the United Nations, which, if you're lucky, may offer a touch more privacy (and the automatic excuse of "greenery that you can easily play [off] like you're crying due to allergies, should you need to"). According to the map, the Queens and Bronx are happy zones, free of weeping and sadness.

If you need more inspiration, they also call out NYC Crying Guide, which has been documenting the prime spots (and absolute worst destinations) to cry in the city since 2014. And if you're anything like 97 percent of New Yorkers and feel stressed from an overwhelming job, crazy demanding apartment hunt, or running into an ex on the subway when you're wearing gym clothes, this blog may come in handy.

MIDTOWN

10 pedestrians injured after SUV jumps curb in Midtown

A woman has been hospitalized after an SUV jumped a curb in Midtown Manhattan on Thursday afternoon, leaving 10 pedestrians injured.

A Chevrolet Tahoe locked bumpers with a black livery cab as both were turning onto West 37th Street from Ninth Avenue, police said, according to the New York Daily News.

The woman driving the Tahoe, which had seven other passengers inside, accelerated then hit a parked van before hitting a man and woman on the sidewalk.

"She went up on the sidewalk and hit a fence and a tree, slowed down and then hit the lady walking on the sidewalk," Jamel Daiffallah, who was working at a nearby deli and saw the crash happen, told the Daily News. "Two guys were also pushed by the car but weren't badly hurt."

The woman was taken to Bellevue Hospital, where she was treated for bruising to her head and one leg. Nine others suffered minor injuries and were treated at the scene, authorities said.

The incident comes less than a month after Richard Rojas drove his vehicle onto a crowded sidewalk in Times Square, killing 18-year-old tourist Alyssa Elsman of Michigan and injuring 22 others, including Elsman's 13-year-old sister.

The military veteran, who said he was high on PCP and marijuana prior to the crash, later told authorities he wanted to commit "suicide by cop." NIKKI M. MASCALI

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INVESTIGATION

State attorneys general probe opioid drug companies

A bipartisan group of state attorneys general announced on Thursday that they are jointly investigating the marketing and sales practices of drug companies that manufacture opioid painkillers at the center of a national addiction epidemic.

Attorneys general from states including Massachusetts, Texas, Illinois and Pennsylvania announced the investigation two weeks after Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine sued five drug manufacturers for misrepresenting the risks of opioids.

"We are looking into what role, if any, marketing and related practices might have played in the increasing prescription and use of these powerful and addictive drugs," District of Columbia Attorney General Karl Racine, a Democrat, said in a statement.

It was unclear exactly how many states are involved in the probe, though officials said a majority of attorneys general are part of the coalition. Among those leading the probe is Tennessee Attorney General Herbert Slatery, a Republican.

Separate lawsuits by attorneys general in Ohio and Mississippi, the two states that have pursued opioid-related cases to date, have targeted Purdue Pharma LP, Johnson & Johnson, Endo International Plc, Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd and Allergan Plc.

Teva in a statement said on Thursday it is "committed to the appropriate promotion and use of opioids." Representatives for the other companies did not immediately respond to requests for comment.

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Bubbles, drums and tears: Chaos outside court as Cosby jury deliberates

Activist Bird Milliken, with drum band, outside the Montgomery County Courthouse in Norristown, Pennsylvania. GETTY IMAGES

The scene at the courthouse where jurors are determining Bill Cosby's fate at his sexual assault trial devolved on Thursday into a carnival atmosphere complete with dramatic confrontations, marching drummers and a bubble machine.

The jury told Judge Steven O'Neill that they were deadlocked after more than 30 hours of deliberations, but he ordered them to continue.

On the steps of the courthouse, plenty of people had already made up their minds.

"It went from being a joke to all of this calamity," said a man holding a sign that read "Free Mr. Cosby" who would only give his first name, Garvey. "Everything I heard points to him being innocent."

With television cameras capturing every moment, Lili Bernard, who has accused Cosby of raping her while she was a guest star on his 1980s hit TV series "The Cosby Show," read a Bible passage aloud to Cosby defenders before tearfully hugging a friend.

Jewel Allison, a former model who says Cosby assaulted her in the 1980s, faced off against a woman holding a sign that read "Bill Cosby is innocent" in capital letters. Allison held the woman's hand as she tried to persuade her to change her mind and told the woman she would have had the same opinion if she had never been alone in a room with Cosby.

> *"Free Mr. Cosby ... Everything I heard points to him being innocent."*
> Garvey

Minutes later, the sound of drumming filled the air as a woman carrying a sign reading "Perseverance to all survivors" pranced down the sidewalk firing a bubble machine. Two men wearing dark plastic masks and carrying drums marched behind her.

Earlier in the week, the woman had driven a U-Haul truck around the courthouse with a drawing of a middle finger with Cosby's name on it plastered to the outside.

As the rhythmic drumming continued, Victoria Valentino, a former Playboy bunny from the 1960s who says Cosby assaulted her decades ago, danced to the music on the courthouse steps. REUTERS

Trump gets a presidential library — of tweets, thanks to 'The Daily Show'

There's a mock-up of the Oval Office — with a golden toilet.

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The Donald J. Trump Twitter Library will be so enormous, it will collapse under its own weight after three days. ALL IMAGES COURTESY GETTY IMAGES

Political comedy is almost dead when President Trump is constantly providing punchlines (and the occasional legally actionable comment) on Twitter.

This weekend, "The Daily Show" is rounding up the greatest hits — and adding some of its best digs — in The Donald J. Trump Presidential Twitter Library. The free pop-up exhibit will be open only this Friday, June 16, through Sunday, June 18, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. at 3 W. 57th St. — just around the corner from Trump Tower.

Trevor Noah

> *"Donald Trump is basically running the entire country with his thumbs."*
>
> Trevor Noah

"Donald Trump is basically running the entire country with his thumbs," host Trevor Noah said on "The Daily Show" to announce the project, noting that just this week, an appeals court struck down the president's revised travel ban based partially on his tweet referring to it as a travel ban — which is illegal. "That's how powerful Trump's timeline is. It defeats an entire team of White House lawyers with a single tweet.

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The "fully interactive and hands-on experience for hands of all sizes" will feature such tremendous exhibits as a retrospective of everything the president has deemed "Sad!", a gallery of his often contradictory opinions on the same subject called Trump vs. Trump, testimonials from people he's personally targeted on Twitter, and the library's main attraction, a mock-up of the Oval Office with a golden toilet from which to sit and tweet your most politically sensitive (or, rather, insensitive) thoughts, a la the Commander-in-Tweet.

Several members of the president's team, including Kellyanne Conway, have accused the media of being "fixated" on Trump's tweets and argued that they're not intended to reflect the president's official thoughts. But, as it so often happens, Press Secretary Sean Spicer didn't get the memo, telling the White House press corps that "they're considered official statements by the president of the United States."

As a Comedy Central press release put it, "It will be so tremendous that you'll get tired of the tremendousness, so it will then close only a few days later. Sad!"

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Microsoft uses artificial intelligence to beat 'Ms. Pac-Man' and set record

"Ms. Pac-Man" was deemed easy to play but difficult to master. GETTY IMAGES

Microsoft created an artificial intelligence-based computer system that just shattered the record for the highest score in "Ms. Pac-Man" by achieving the highest score possible.

A team of researchers from Maluuba — an AI research company recently acquired by Microsoft — used a special type of AI called "reinforcement learning" to play an emulation of Atari's "Ms. Pac-Man." The AI system was able to achieve a score of 999,990 before it reset back to zero.

According to Highscore.com — a popular resource for tracking and collecting high scores in video games — the previous high score made on the Atari 2600 "Ms. Pac-Man" emulation was 266,360, by a player in Brazil.

The approach used to master "Ms. Pac-Man" is called Hybrid Reward Architecture, which uses a series of agents that have a designated function such as finding pellets, avoiding ghosts, eating the blue ones and going after the large bouncing fruit. The AI system prioritizes all of the variables in real time to make sure Ms. Pac-Man gets a perfect score.

You may be wondering why they chose to use the 1980s video game "Ms. Pac-Man."

According to Steve Golson, co-creator of the arcade version of "Ms. Pac-Man," Microsoft needed to use a game that was easy to play in theory, yet nearly impossible to master.

Rahul Mehrotra, a program manager at Maluuba, believes video games like "Ms. Pac-Man" are complex because of many situations one can face while playing.

"A lot of companies working on AI use games to build intelligent algorithms because there's a lot of humanlike intelligence capabilities that you need to beat the games," Mehrotra said in a Microsoft press release.

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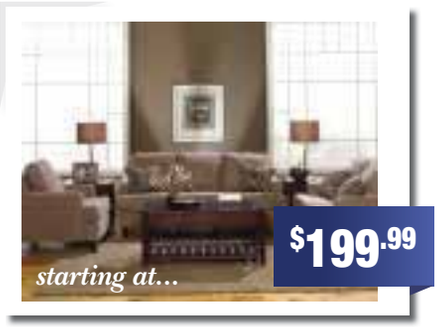

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AP: Rodman gives Trump's 'The Art of the Deal' as gift for North Korea's Kim

Former NBA star Dennis Rodman on Thursday gave North Korea's sports minister a copy of President Donald Trump's book "The Art of the Deal" as a gift for the country's leader, Kim Jong Un, the Associated Press said.

The copy of the book was not signed by Trump. Photos from the AP showed Rodman sporting a blazer on top of a pink shirt as well as his trademark facial piercings, handing over the book to the minister, Kim Il Guk.

Rodman visited the North in 2013 and 2014. The U.S. government has issued travel warnings to Americans against travel to North Korea.

Rodman has been visiting North Korea since Tuesday. GETTY IMAGES

Rodman met North Korean Olympic athletes, including judo gold medalist An Kum Ae, reported the AP, which has a bureau in North Korea's capital of Pyongyang.

"All of you guys should be proud of yourselves, because, you know, a lot of people don't give you guys credit, because this is such a small country, and not many people from North Korea can compete around the world," Rodman was quoted as telling the athletes.

"But for you guys to come back here in your country, with a medal, that says a lot about North Korea, because people don't really take North Korea so seriously about sports or anything like that." REUTERS

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A (short) history of women behaving *badly*

Before you lies a list that should run longer than it does. There ought to be scores upon scores of movies that feature groups of women getting liquored up, getting into trouble, having the time of their lives, all without any pesky men around to steal their spotlight. Instead we get so few that every time we get a "Bridesmaids" or a "Bad Moms," they wind up described as "'The Hangover,' but with girls." With "Rough Night" — and next month's "Girls Trip" — we hope there will one day be enough that a list like this runs longer. Here's a list of the too few films about girls gone wild:

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"The Sweetest Thing" (2002)

Cameron Diaz may have dominated the poster for "There's Something About Mary" but, one hair product-related mishap aside, she didn't get to join in on the raunch. She made up for that a few years later with a movie where the women (also including Christina Applegate and Selma Blair) are as sex-obsessed as the men. Only problem: It's not very good, and had it starred men, it would have been seen as a dog. Diaz returned to toilet humor again with "Bad Teacher," this time solo and with a higher batting average.

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"Smiley Face" (2007)

OK, it's just one woman behaving badly. But when that woman is the mighty Anna Faris, and when Anna Faris spends the movie super-duper-mega-high after accidentally eating an entire plate of pot brownies, that's enough power for 20 women. Faris stumbles about this candy-colored indie, stoned out of her mind and wreaking untold havoc, including on Marx's original "Communist Manifesto." It's hard to pick peak Anna Faris. Or maybe it isn't — the answer is "Smiley Face."

"Bridesmaids" (2011)

It was supposed to tear down that wall, make Hollywood realize comedies — or any movie in general — about and starring women would make as much money as those starring dudes. And despite grossing nearly $300 million, it didn't. To execs, it was seen as the old "exception that proved the rule." It took till last year for Hollywood to realize that they blew it — that had they been giving us movies like "Bad Moms" and "Wonder Woman" and "Hidden Figures" since 2011, they'd probably be even richer.

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"Spring Breakers" (2013)

This freak hit from, of all people, Harmony Korine isn't exactly a feminist tract; it's more eye candy for dudes than it is empowering for women. But the tale of Florida-bound college students who turn into masked vigilantes (all thanks to James Franco, natch) still belongs on this list, in part because Korine's satire is so sarcastic, and so layered that it manages to make fun of both entitled rich girls and its own male-gazey, horndog excesses.

"The Bling Ring" (2013)

At the time, Sofia Coppola's dreamy docudrama — about a gang of mostly teenage girls (and one guy) who take to stealing from Hollywood's rich and famous — was seen as a female response to "Spring Breakers." But it's really just a Sofia Coppola movie. That is, it not only doesn't judge its criminals but grooves on the thrill of being young and dumb, when breaking into Paris Hilton's home and stealing her bras doesn't seem like the type of thing that puts you in jail.

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"Girlhood" (2014)

The original title of this French import is more like "Girl Gang" — and a more accurate description of what transpires. An African-French teen finds herself sucked into the orbit of a group of mean girls, who steal people's lunch money, fight other gangs and, eventually, get involved in the drug trade. But most of the film is about the joys of loner women finding each other. Few scenes are as transcendent as the scene in which our heroes, having shacked up in a hotel room and turned on the blue lights, blast Rihanna's "Diamonds" and dance and scream. They wish the song would go on forever, and so may you.

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"Bad Moms" (2016)

We have our issues with last summer's big sleeper hit, which doesn't allow its threesome (Mila Kunis, Kristen Bell and Kathryn Hahn) to cut loose the way the "Hangover" gang got to, despite being written by the guys who actually wrote "The Hangover." On the other hand: Mila Kunis getting wasted on rotgut whiskey! Kristen Bell standing up to her old-school sexist husband! Kathryn Hahn doing anything! Make a sequel where they really go wild.

In "Cars 3," Armie Hammer voices Jackson Storm, right, who steals the spotlight from Owen Wilson's Lightning McQueen, left. PIXAR

Armie Hammer on parenting in the age of smartphones

The actor talks "Cars 3" and how Pixar knows how to speak to kids and adults.

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Armie Hammer just went to Disneyland. It was partly for work — he was doing press for "Cars 3," in which he voices superfast race car (and villain) Jackson Storm — but even when he got time to bop around the park, he couldn't do all the rides. That's because his kids are young: His daughter is 2½ and his son was born earlier this year. Not that the actor would be at an amusement park by himself. After all, he is 30 years old.

"I haven't been on a roller coaster in 18 years," Hammer remarks. But when you have kids, you get to do all the things you did as a kid once again. Usually that involves playing teacher to his kids.

"It's a lot of fun watching them process and learn and figure things out. You get to go learn everything all over again," Hammer tells us.

Sometimes he draws a blank. "She'll definitely catch me off-guard and say, 'Why this? Why that?' I'll just say, 'Well, I don't know. Let's figure it out!' Then I reach into my pocket and take out a device that has the cumulative amount of all human knowledge," says Hammer.

Up to this point, Hammer's career has largely been spent in movies that are decidedly not for kids: "The Social Network," "J. Edgar," "The Man from U.N.C.L.E.," "Nocturnal Animals," "Free Fire." If Hammer needs to do movies his children can watch, he's smart to do one with Pixar known for tackling heavy, even depressing issues — aging, abandonment, death — yet in a way kids greatly enjoy.

"That's what they do so well: They take big issues but deal with them so lightheartedly that my 2½-year-old daughter can watch them and be enthralled the whole time," Hammer says.

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Still, what on earth do they make of "Inside Out," which is all about that moment when kids realize that the world can be a dark and miserable place? Hammer knows that stuff goes over their heads. But that's fine.

"When they get older they can go back and watch them with a new perspective," Hammer explains. "There's something for everyone. The older they get, the more sides they see."

Hammer doesn't allow his daughter to watch too many movies at her age.

"We don't really let her get too much screen time. She has a fake iPhone that she's able to use, because she sees us using ours a lot," he says. Still, he doesn't want her to go completely without technology.

"I have people warn me, 'Oh, you don't want her to have too much screen time.' But I realized there's not really a world my daughter and son will live in where they don't interact in some way with a screen or some kind of digital technology on a day-to-day basis," he says. "If I limit her screen time now, am I setting her back? Or if I give her controlled and monitored screen time now, in a productive way, am I helping her? It's less of a black-and-white issue than 'Screen time for kids is bad.'"

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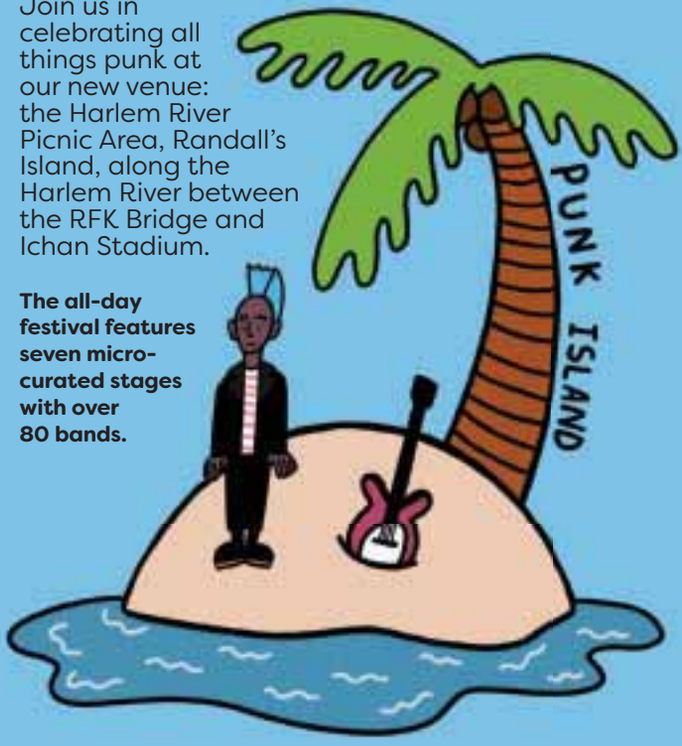

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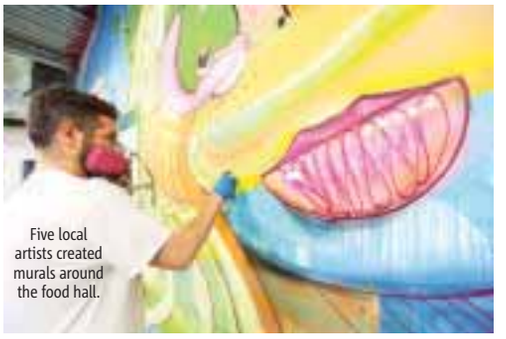

Five local artists created murals around the food hall.

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This is Brooklyn

DeKalb Market Hall brings over 40 of the borough's most interesting restaurants — and an outpost of Katz's Deli — to City Point.

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DeKalb Market Hall, Brooklyn's largest food hall, is finally here.

Easily the most anticipated project on New York's food scene in 2017, DeKalb opens tonight in the cellar of the massive City Point shopping complex in Downtown Brooklyn, joining Target, Century 21, the dine-in Alamo Drafthouse movie theater and, soon, Trader Joe's.

Anna Castellani, the curator who brought together the 42 restaurants that fill its sprawling 60,000 square feet, aimed to represent all of Brooklyn.

"It's got a food scene that is respected around the world, but I didn't feel that there was a place to come and experience what is happening in this borough," she tells us. "I have people from Brownsville, Mill Basin, Bensonhurst, neighborhoods people will probably never go to, and I think that's what makes it special."

The notable exception is Katz's Delicatessen, which is opening its first storefront outside Manhattan at DeKalb.

Beyond that marquee name, other recognizable franchises include Fletcher's BBQ, Colombian corn cakes from the beloved Arepa Lady, Eight Turn Crepe and two new concepts from Hard Times Sundaes.

The market isn't just for established names. Castellani also sought out first-timers to the restaurant business, like the Pierogi Boys serving handmade Polish dumplings, BK Jani from Bushwick serving Pakistani grilled meats and vegan fare, and Caribbean food by Likkle More Jerk from a longtime West Indian chef finally opening his own restaurant.

With so much anticipation, a huge variety of vendors and a "complicated, unusual space," Castellani wanted to keep the atmosphere more like a casual neighborhood block than a high-concept experience. "I was frustrated by what I felt were overdesigned food spaces," she says. Five local artists were commissioned to create wall murals, while the vendors were free to design their booths in their own ways. "I feel very happy that it already feels comfortable and lived in, and that was really what we wanted."

Two full-service restaurants, Han Dynasty and Fortina, will join the vendors soon, as well as a show kitchen and, in the fall, a massive event space (with its own bar) with plans for music, theater performances, children's entertainment and late night programs, including a possible night market.

Castellani runs her own own upscale grocer Forager's Market in DUMBO, and wanted to bring some of that market element into DeKalb with a cheese shop, snout-to-tail butcher, fishmonger and bakery.

"When you think about great markets in Europe, there's always a grocery element to it," she says. "This should smell like a food space. I think food's become very antiseptically sold, and smell is part of the emotional element of being in a space like this."

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After eight years of progress for LGBTQ rights under President Obama, this year's NYC Pride Week kicks off on a much less jubilant note.

Here's the thing though — nothing stops Pride, which has always been about celebrating the community no matter who else is partying along.

So as NYC Pride 2017 kicks off today, hoist those rainbow flags high and let them know you're still here, still queer and still loving life at these Pride events all weekend long. We'll have more Pride events next week to keep the good vibes going.

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The Rally

Energize your activism by taking stock of the state of LGBT rights with community activists, organizers from the New York Transgender Advocacy Group, the ACLU and Immigration Equality, local politicians and other advocates at the Pride Week kickoff rally. Held since the Stonewall riots in June 1969, the rally is free and open to everyone who wants help ensure equality for everyone.
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Baby's Big Disco

You know what your Saturday night needs? Some fever, courtesy of the disco-loving cats at Baby's All Right. This monthly party goes Pride-tastic this weekend with music by Lauren Flax, Duane Harriott and Amber Valentine. Under the disco ball, everything is love and love is everything; proceeds benefit the ACLU.
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Joel Kinnaman would rather have Berlusconi than Trump

The charming Swede talks "House of Cards," Trump and "Suicide Squad."

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Joel Kinnaman as Frank Underwood's young, hot, Republican rival, Will Conway. DAVID GIESBRECHT / NETFLIX

If you haven't binged "House Of Cards'" fifth season yet, what are you even doing? The show came back with a vengeance this year — and its usual brand of ruthless politics suddenly hit very close to home. One of the only mostly good guys around was Frank Underwood's young, hot, Republican rival, Will Conway. "I'm drawn to interesting characters," says actor Joel Kinnaman, who plays Will. "I want to have a character that has a journey, that really evolves."

We sat down with the very charming Swede to find out what the man behind the failed candidate really thinks.

What was it like doing a show about politics in 2017?
It was crazy! It's crazy what's been going on. I never thought that reality was going to come close to what we're doing on "House of Cards," and it sure as hell did.

Did you talk about it with your co-stars on set?
It's been a constant source of indignation and conversation. I think there's a lot of people who feel that we're in the middle of a complete crisis — our national identity is being hijacked. It's very saddening to see what's going on, that America's standing in the world is getting weakened, and that we're losing the leadership role when it comes to the environment and to human rights.

And to think that anyone was going to rival President Underwood's (Kevin Spacey) unlikeability, and the level of distrust from the public would rise to this kind of level, I didn't think was going to be possible. I was saying before the election, that if Trump gets elected, we're all going to know what it was like to be the Italians under Berlusconi. I think I would rather have Berlusconi than President Trump.

Would you compare Trump to Underwood?
I would take Underwood any day of the week! President Underwood isn't going start a nuclear war because someone tweeted at him in the wrong way.

Now that TV's in this golden age do you look more to TV, or is film more your goal?
There's still something really magical with doing a film — every scene is such an important piece of the character's journey, and almost every scene is moving the character forward. And in TV, you really get time to go deep, and to have that slow evolution, and you have much more time to play as well, so you get into the character even more. But I really like doing both, I really like to mix it up.

Is it true that you're filming "Suicide Squad 2" soon?
No, I don't know when that's coming out — the only thing I know is that they're working on a script.

How do you think Wonder Woman would fare against the Suicide Squad?
[Laughs] Well we'd definitely give her a run for her money. I just saw it, I loved it. It's so good. I was actually really moved thinking about all those little girls going to the movies and seeing this film, and to think of how it's going to change the way that they see themselves in the world. And I'm so happy for my girl Patty Jenkins — Patty directed the pilot of "The Killing," and also the final episode of the second season, so I was so happy to see that she did such a good film.

Do you have any regrets about your Squad tattoo?
[Laughs] No regrets.

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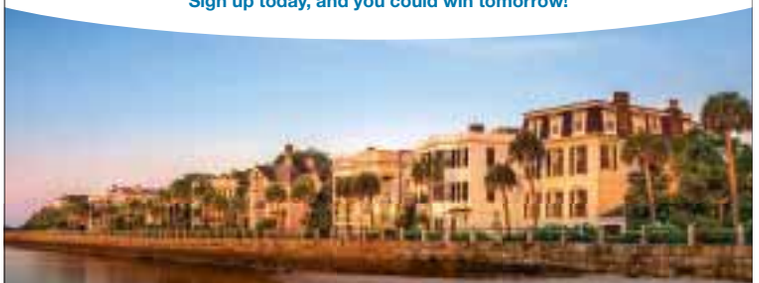

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The wins will probably be few and far between for the 2017 Jets, meaning that the quarterback competition during preseason might be the most exciting part of the year. GETTY IMAGES

Gang Green must accept what we all know: The tank is on for 2017

The Jets are holding out hope for a competitive season. However, it just doesn't look like that will happen.

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Jets head coach Todd Bowles says the young quarterbacks room is like being in kindergarten, valued veterans are being lopped off left and right, and players are unconvincingly trying to be optimistic about a rough season ahead.

Gang Green insists they aren't tanking, though.

But when journeyman quarterback Josh McCown is considered any team's best option at the position, it becomes increasingly difficult to tell the masses otherwise.

The Jets jettisoned 11 veterans, amounting to a $68 million salary dump for the upcoming season. And with the exception of McCown being penciled in as the opening day starter, the youth movement is here.

Running back Matt Forte may bristle at the whole tanking notion, but Gang Green sure has that look.

The reward? One of the highly-touted college quarterbacks in next April's draft (Sam Darnold of USC, Josh Allen of Wyoming, and Josh Rosen of UCLA).

The Sham for Sam campaign is in full effect, but the Jets want — implore — their ardent tortured fanbase to hang in there. The team will insist that McCown gives the Jets the best chance to win and that winning won't be as scarce as last season's five-win campaign – disregarding the fact that McCown owns a career .300 winning percentage.

Second-year signal-caller Christian Hackenberg is waiting in the wings, though. The former Penn State star was essentially redshirted as a rookie, after being selected in the second round last season. And with Ryan Fitzpatrick and Geno Smith now on new teams and Bryce Petty not really getting a real chance at the starting gig, the Jets would be wise to hand the keys to the kindergarten class' most physically talented passer.

It'll be a win-win for the Jets. Should Hackenberg shock the masses and actually play well, the team will finally have its franchise quarterback. If he fails, the franchise will put itself in contention for one of college football's Big 3 passers.

Bowles gave Hackenberg a fighting chance to usurp McCown, despite the veteran receiving the majority of first-team snaps in OTAs.

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CAREER WINNING PERCENTAGE OF QB JOSH MCCOWN

"Not at this time, no," Bowles said when asked if he's ready to declare McCown the Week 1 starter. "I don't look at anybody as the frontrunner just yet."

New York ended its final minicamp early with an abbreviated practice in which backups got most of the reps. McCown attempted just one pass before giving way to the youngsters. The strong-armed Hackenberg went 8-of-12 in passing drills and showed promise, yet there were obvious growing pains, particularly in red-zone play.

Quarterbacks coach Jeremy Bates seemed pleased with Hackenberg's progression in this final session before training camp opens in August, but wasn't ready to say that his protégé is ready to really push McCown for that number one spot.

"He's young. Everyone is excited to see where he's going, though," Bates said, addressing the reports that Hackenberg has accuracy issues. "I think he's accurate, [but] there will be bumps in the road. You just don't want to hit the same bump two days in a row."

The bumps will be large and occur often for the Jets this season, so it makes little sense to keep the charade that the team isn't trying to get as high a draft pick as possible — especially when the cutting of Harris and Decker saved the Jets nearly $14 million in 2017 payroll, but significantly worsened the team. Those were two players who can and will add value to another team.

But in the Jets' eyes, it made no sense holding onto players who don't fit into their plans beyond 2017.

The tank is real, and Jets fans know it. Too bad the franchise won't join their long-suffering fanbase in reality.

Possible Isles, Rangers protected list for NHL's Vegas expansion draft

Each New York hockey club could protect as many as 11 players before the Vegas Golden Knights make their selections on June 21.

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Change will be sweeping through the NHL in June as the league prepares to officially welcome the Vegas Golden Knights for their inaugural season this fall.

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The teams predetermine those unprotected players as they are allowed to protect seven forwards, three defensemen and a goalie or eight skaters and a goalie from being picked up by Las Vegas.

Players not on that list who are under contract with their respective teams can be plucked away by the Golden Knights.

Teams, including the New York Islanders and Rangers, must have their list of protected players in to the league by 5 p.m. on June 17. Four days later at the NHL Awards show, the league will announce Vegas' selections.

Both New York teams could lose some considerable talent in the next week given their limit on protecting players. Here is what their lists could look like:

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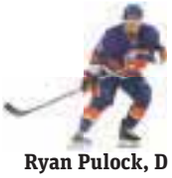

Ryan Pulock, D

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Nick Leddy, D

Thomas Greiss, G

Projected Protected Players

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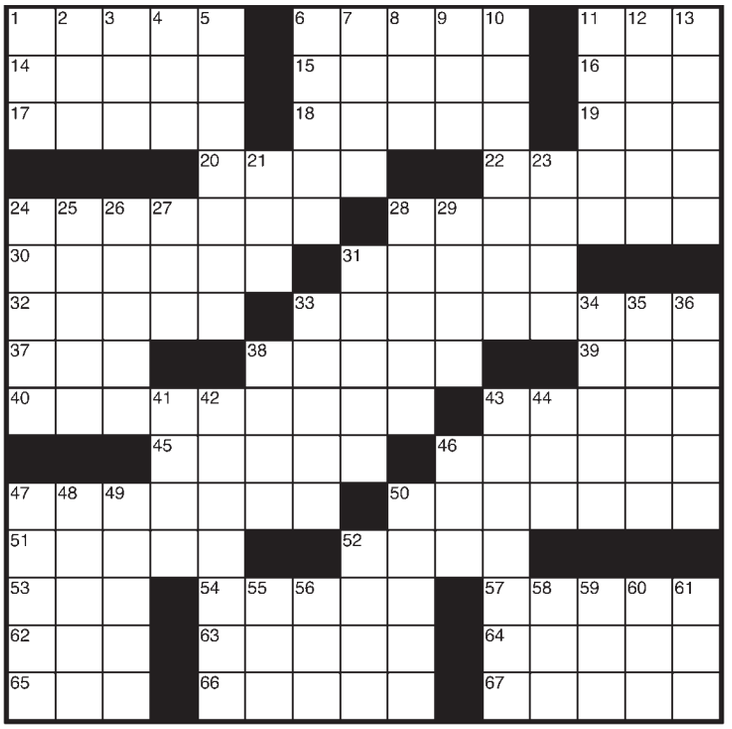

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Aries Do not share personal information. Someone will be eager to take advantage of you or make you look bad. Don't get involved in gossip or disclose secrets.

Taurus Let your imagination take you on a journey. To follow a dream, you must be able to envision what it is you want to achieve.

Gemini Be careful how you handle others, or you will end up being the one who looks bad. An innovative plan will help you move past a multitude of misgivings.

Cancer Take care of odds and ends that you've left undone. You'll feel better heading into the weekend if you have less on your mind. Plan a romantic adventure.

Leo Hold off getting involved in financial schemes. Listen carefully and look at the fine print before you make a commitment. Keep a close eye on your money.

Virgo Stick to the truth and question anyone making suggestions that don't seem accurate. A creative approach to how you present your skills will attract attention.

Libra You won't be given all the facts about a course, position or the effects that will ensue should you make a decision based on trust alone. Ulterior motives are apparent.

Scorpio Mixing business with pleasure will help you get a better picture of the direction you should take. Market your skills to suit current economic trends.

Sagittarius You must be honest with yourself if you want to avoid making a mistake. Listen attentively and only make changes that are carefully considered and based on facts.

Capricorn Spend more time with the ones you love. Exploring options that will improve your lifestyle or surroundings will pay off. Romance will enhance your personal life.

Aquarius Easy does it. When dealing with family, youngsters and older people in your life, you are best off choosing your words wisely and listening carefully.

Pisces Show compassion when dealing with people. A romantic gesture will improve your personal life and bring you closer to the one you love. EUGENIA LAST

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